

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Poh-Boon PHUA et al.

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Title: INDEPENDENTLY VARIABLE FIRST AND SECOND ORDER  
POLARIZATION MODE DISPERSION COMPENSATOR

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This Information Disclosure Statement is filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98. The items listed on Form PTO 1449, a copy of which is enclosed, may be pertinent to the above-referenced application and are made of record to assist the Patent Office in its examination of this application. The Examiner is requested to fully consider the items and independently ascertain their teaching.

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Respectfully submitted,

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